Production of oil from rice bran

700. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total installed capacity of the rice bran refineries set up in the country to produce edible oil from rice bran;

(b) the total quantity of rice bran oil produced during the year 1986-87; and

(c) whether it is a fact that the rice bran refineries are facing a closure due to lack of encouragement from Government?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) Government authorisation is issued generally for refining of vegetable oils including rice bran oil. Manufacturers may or may not refine rice bran oil. As per the Report of the Working Group on Edible Oils for the 7th Five Year Plan, the total annual capacity of the refineries in the country is estimated at around 20 lakh tonnes.

(b) About 2.57 lakh tonnes.

(c) Incentives have been provided by Government for production of rice bran oil.

Expenditure incurred by the NAFED on IAS Officers

701. DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the expenditure incurred by NAFED on IAS Officers sent by Government on deputation, separately on salary, internal travelling allowances, foreign trips and other benefits during the past three years; and

(b) whether Government propose to extend Management subsidy to the Cooperative Institutions to set off such expenditure on IAS officers?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI G. S. DHILLON): (a):

Item	Year	Expenditure incurred (Rs. in lakhs)
(i) Salary & Allowances	1983-84	0.45
	1984-85	..
	1985-86	1.19
(ii) Other benefits i.e. cost of accommodation etc. . .	1983-84	0.65
	1984-85	..
	1985-86	0 27
(iii) Internal Travel	1983-84	0.36
	1984-85	..
	1985-86	0.36
(iv) Foreign Travel	1983-84	1.89
	1984-85	..
	1985-86	..